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INFORMATION FOR STRANGERS

This guide to the city and its environs is presented by the Tourist Association of Victoria in the hope that it will aid the visitor in "making his way about," and seeing some of the many places and langs that are worth seeing.

Any information not found in the guide will be cheerfully furnished on application at the Association's Rooms. No. 34 Fort Street, where a free Information Burau is maintained.

You are cordially invited to call at the Association's Rooms, No. 34 Fort Street, where ladies and gentlemen will find many conveniences provided for their use.

Very often a person arriving in a sity is at a loss regarding the points of the so it may be explained that the general of the shore line of Victoria Harbor is north and outh. Government and parallel streets run north and south; Yates, Fort, Johnson, etc., run east and west. The Parliament Buildings stand at the south end of the harbor, facing north.

CAR SERVICE

The central point at which to take street cars is the junction of Government and Yates streets.

Cars for Victoria West and Esquimalt leave there every 15 minutes from 6 a.m. until 11:30 p. m. week days, and from 9 a.m. to 10:30 p. m. Sundays.

CAR SERVICE (Continued)

Fort Street cars, which run to the Royal Jubilee Hospital and Oak Bay, run every 15 minutes from 6 a.m. to 11:15 p.m. week days, and 9 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. Sundays. If going to Oak Bay, ask for transfer.

Beacon Hill and Spring Ridge cars take south-bound car for Beacon Hill Park) leave every 20 minutes from 6:15 a.m. until 11:35 p.m.; Sundays from 9:15 a.m. until 10:15 p.m. Beacon Hill (south-bound) cars pass Parliament Buildings; north-bound cars run to Gorge Road and Burnside Road.

Outer Wharf and Douglas Street cars run every 20 minutes from 6:05 a.m. until 11:25 p.m.; Sundays, 9:05 a.m. until 10:30 p.m. Outer Wharf (south-bound) cars pass Parliament Buildings. North-bound cars run to Spring Ridge. From the Outer Wharf one may walk along the sea-coast to Beacon Hill Park, a delightful promenade and admirably suited to bicycling.

WHAT TO SEE

THE PROVINICAL PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS

the finest in Canada. Contain four distinct museums, viz., Natural History, Mineralogical, Agricultural and Historical; a fine library and reading room and a historical picture gallery. view from the dome is one to be remembered; do not fail to see it. On the lawn in front stande monument to 2 Sir James Douglas. first governor of British Columbia. An heroic figure of Vancouver surmounts the dome. Immediately west of the Parliament Buildings is the Drill Hall and armories of the Fifth Regiment, Royal Canadian Artillery.

Leaving the Parliament Buildings, five minutes' walk, via Birdcage Walk and Superior Street East brings one to

BEACON HILL PARK

acknowledged to be one of the fipest natural pleasure grounds in North America. It contains about 300 acres of woodland, uplands and meadow, diversified by shady walks and drives, artificial lakes and parterres of flowers. There is an interesting collection of native birds and animals, a bear-pit and a deer park. Beacon Hill, where the tall flagstaff stands, commands a magnificent view of the Straits of San Juan de Fuca, the Olympian Mountains, Mount Baker, Race Rocks, Clover Point, where Vancouver first landed, and other striking objects of natural beauty.

VICTORIA ARM

Is an extension of Victoria Harbor, about four miles in length. To thoroughly enjoy its beauties one should take a rowboat, naphtha or steam launch, and make a leisurely trip to its extreme northern end, where the old buildings of the Hudson's Bay Company's trading post are still standing.

THE GORGE

About midway of its length Victoria Arm narrows to a gorge, through which the tide-waters rush at certain stages with torrent-like velocity, forming a reversible fall. Strangers are warned not to attempt the passage of the Gorge in small boats, when the water is at all rough. The safe way is to land and guide the boat up or down the rapid.

ESQUIMALT

Street cars run to Esquimalt, which is the station for the British North Pacific Squadron. One may also go by carriage, a pleasant drive of four miles through Victoria West. The points of interest at Esquimalt are the British warships, the navy yard, Imperial dock yard, and the beautiful scenery of Esquimalt Harbor and the Royal Roads. On the road one passes the Work Point Barracks, where the Imperial troops are quartered. Rowboats and launches may be engaged at Esquimalt by which to visit the warships. There are extensive fortifications near Esquimalt, but these are not open to visitors.

OAK BAY

with its grand sweep of shore line, broken by rugged promontories, and a magnificent view seaward, is a delightful place at which to spend an afternoon. Rowboats may be hired at Oak Bay. The golf links are a few minutes' walk from the street car terminus. Take Fort Street cars for Oak Bay.

ROYAL JUBILEE HOSPITAL

This fine institution, built by the people of Victoria to commemorate the sixtieth jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, is beautifully situated on Cadboro Bay Road, and may be reached by the Fort Street cars.

ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL

is another well-equipped establishment for the sick, conducted by the Sisters of St. Ann. It is situated on Humboldt Street, a few minutes' walk from Government Street via Belleville Street East.

OLD GOVERNMENT HOUSE

On Belleville Street, facing James Bay (which is now in course of reclamation) stands the residence of Sir James Douglas, the first governor of British Columbia, one of the few landmarks remaining of the old colonial days.

BEAUTY EVERYWHERE

One of the chief charms of Victoria is the fact that it possesses no "West End," in the common acceptation of the term. Stately mansions and beautiful houses are seen in the most unexpected places, so that one must travel the city from centre to circumference in every direction to appreciate its wealth of attractions.

CHINATOWN

The Chinese quarter of Victoria, east of Government Street, between Cormorant and Fisguard Streets, with its joss-house, theatre and queer-looking stores filled with all kinds of Oriental goods, should be seen by every visitor.

DRIVING AND CYCLING

Dallas Road and its continuation, Ocean Avenue, skirting the sea-coast for four miles, forms one of the most beautiful drives imaginable by carriage or wheel. The route would be Government Street south, Belleville Street, Dallas Road, Ocean Avenue to Oak Bay, thence by Oak Bay Avenue and Fort Street to Government Street. This drive takes one past Ross Bay Cemetery. Other drives are: Douglas Street, Gorge Road and Craigflower Road; Cedar Hill and Mount Tolmie; Victoria West and Esquimalt; Cadboro Bay; Cordova Bay; Hatley Park and William Head; Metchosin; Goldstream; Royal Oak, Saanich and Sidney.

BOATING

There are boat-houses along the water front and at Esquimalt and Oak Bay, where rowing, sailboats and launches may be hired by the day or hour at reasonable rates.

FISHING

Fly-fishing and trolling may be enjoyed in the upper harbor and in the Straits along the Dallas Road, and off Macaulay Point and Esquimalt. Full information regarding fishing will be furnished at the Tourist Association Bureau, 34 Fort Street.

EXCURSIONS

The Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway runs regular and excursion trains to Goldstream, Shawnigan Lake, Duncans, Ladysmith, Nanaimo and intermediate points. The Company also runs steamers from Victoria to Nanaimo and Comox, touching at intermediate points.

The Victoria & Sidney Railway runs to Saanich and Sidney, connecting at the latter with steamer to Islands and Mainland points as far as Nanaimo.

Both these companies afford delightful trips through most picturesque and interesting scenes.

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Fraternal Societies — A. Street, near Blanchard; Odd Street; Knights of Pythia A. F. & A. M. Hall, Douglas Street; Trades and Labor I son Streets.

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nion, Badminton, Pacific.

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HISTORICAL

1592 — Juan de Fuca discovered the straits between Vancouver Island and the Mainland.

1774 - Juan Perez anchored in Nootka Sound, west coast of Vancouver Island.

1778 — Captain James Cook visited Nootka Sound.

1792 - Captain George Vancouver circumnavigated Vancouver Island.

1842 — Ford Moissun established by the Hudson's Bay Moissuy. The name was changed to Fort Albert, and finally to Victoria.

1849 — Vancouver Island proclaimed a British colony, with Richard Blanshard as governor.

1856 — First Legislature of Vancouver Island met at Victoria, August 12.

1858 — Vancouver Island and British Columbia amalgamated as one colony.

1871 — British Columbia admitted as a province of the Dominion of Canada.

1887 — Canadian Pacific Railway completed from Montreal to Vancouver.

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